

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Applicants' representative, Tadd Wilson, and Examiner, Nghi Ly, conducted a telephonic interview on February 8, 2005. Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for his time and effort in discussing the present application. During the interview, Examiner provided some suggested amendments to the claims. Those suggested amendments are reflected in the amended claims above.

REMARKS

This Amendment and Response is intended to fully respond to the Final Office Action mailed January 5, 2005. Claims 1-12 were examined in the Office Action and claims 1, and 5-12 stand rejected. Claims 2-4 were objected to. More specifically, claims 1, 5, 6, 8 and 9 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by United States Patent Number 6,529,732 issued to Vainiomaki et al. (hereinafter "Vainiomaki") and claims 7 and 10-12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Vainiomaki in view of United States Patent Number 5,335,355 issued to Tanaka et al. (hereinafter "Tanaka"). Claims 2-4 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, claim 1.

Claims 1, 5, and 8 have been amended in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions in the telephonic interview. Specifically, the amendments ensure the claims are directed to embodiments of the present invention that relate to cell face transfers. During the telephonic interview, Examiner implied that a new search for prior art might be necessary. Applicants believe such a search is unwarranted. The Examiner has already searched the proper technical field, cellular technology. The amendments to the claims do not expand the scope of the prior art that may be applied to the claims. Thus, the Examiner has already performed the search that is required. As such, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner enter the present amendments and allow the claims.

Conclusion

As originally filed, the present application included 12 claims, 3 of which were independent. As amended the present application includes 12 claims 3 of which are independent. It is believed that no further fees are due with this Response. However, the Commissioner is

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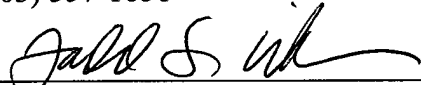
hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayment with respect to this patent application to deposit account number 13-2725.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request a Notice of Allowance. If the Examiner believes another telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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